Question for written answer E-003009/2021 to the Commission Rule 138 Biljana Borzan (S&D)

Subject: Voluntary agreements on printers

Many reports have identified printers as an extremely wasteful product category. Additionally, a Prospective Registry Of MultiPlex Testing (PROMPT) study has shown that printers are the products most often reported by consumers when taking the purchase price, importance, repair/guarantee options and expected life cycle into account. More than 80 % of printers break in the first three years. Voluntary agreements with producers have not produced any results.

Is the Commission planing to propose regulatory measures addressing the durability and reparability of printers and cartridges?